



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q62523

Yasuo HIMURO

Appln. No.: 09/756,876

Group Art Unit: 1733

Confirmation No.: 6217

Examiner: Steven D. Maki

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For: PNEUMATIC TIRES

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 30, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please enter the following amended claims:

1. (Amended) A pneumatic tire comprising a tread portion divided into a central region and both side regions, at least one rib-shaped main land part formed in the central region and extending substantially in parallel to an equatorial plane of the tire, a plurality of main slant grooves extending obliquely from the central region toward each tread end of the tread portion with respect to the equatorial plane to form first slant land parts among these main slant grooves, in which each first slant land part has a plane form of approximately a triangle gradually increasing a width of the land part from a side of the equatorial plane toward a side of the tread

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